

IRTS Radio News Bulletin Sunday 23rd May 2010

Theory Examination

The next theory examination for the Amateur Station Licence will be held on Wednesday, 7th July at 2pm in the ComReg Offices in Dublin and at other centres if warranted by the numbers.

Information on examination fees and other details please see 'Theory Examination' in the 'Information' section of the IRTS website at www.irts.ie

Intending candidates are also referred to 'Studying for the Amateur Radio Examination' in the 'Downloads' section of the website.

The latest date for receipt of applications to sit the examination is Wednesday, 23 June next but it is important to note that places at the exam are allocated on a first come first served basis.

Award for Eamon EI9GQ

We were delighted to see that at the recent AGM of the RSGB Eamon EI9GQ was awarded the Ostermeyer Trophy for his series of construction articles in RadCom. We are sure that all who receive RadCom will agree that the award is well merited for the high quality informative articles which he writes. In 2007, the IRTS awarded the Collins Cup to Eamon in recognition of his work through these articles in promoting home construction and the self training aspect of amateur radio.

Pat Conway Cup

There is a nice picture in the June RadCom of IRTS President Paul EI2CA presenting the Pat Conway Cup to Herbie Graham GI6JPO at the recent AGM in Dundalk. The cup was awarded to Herbie in recognition of his work for amateur radio particularly through his active support of the Lough Erne Amateur Radio Club. Herbie is a regular caller to this News bulletin and we always welcome his reports

CQ CQ calling news items

As is common through the year we have occasional lulls in news. If your group or club are involved in anything that you would like to share with our Listeners or readers please pass on the information to our editor.

CASHOTA activation in Co Louth.

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society, will be activating St. Johns Castle, Carlingford, Co Louth. On Sat / Sunday, 29 / 30th May 2010.

WAI squares, EI Counties, and CASHOTA, conditions will be available to stations who call in, operation will be on all HF bands, and on most of the VHF / UHF bands as well. All QSL routes will be catered for.

Call sign of the station will be EI7DAR/P,

The organizers of the Carlingford Oyster Festival have invited the Dundalk ARS to demonstrate Amateur Radio to the public, and there will also be some Tall Ships in Carlingford Lough over the weekend. A good outdoor activity is expected for all the family.

Full details of the event will be available on : www.ei7dar.com and www.cashota-ireland.org/

DAR AGM

All DAR Members are requested to attend the AGM at 8.30pm Wednesday 2nd June at the clubhouse in Dundalk.

Amateur Radio & Hollywood

The sale of KE6PZH's Amateur Radio equipment has been re listed on eBay after not selling in a recent auction. Although listed on the FCC Data base as Martin Brandeaux he would be known more Internationally as Marlon Brando! Also the holder of Callsign FO?GJ , he was also QRV occasionally from his from his private French Polynesian Island.

Extension of amateur radio 40-metre band in Kenya

The Communications Commission of Kenya has just approved the use by radio amateurs in Kenya of the sub-band 7100 kHz to 7200 kHz.

Rallies

Saturday 29th May 2010 Mid Ulster Amateur Radio Club Rally, Drumgor Youth Centre, Drumgor Heights, Craigavon Information: www.muarc.com

For further Rally info and contact details please check out the IRTS Website.

www.irts.ie/cgi/rallies.cgi

History this Week

1785 Benjamin Franklin invents bifocal glasses.

1904 Hulsemeyer, Germany, demonstrates his radio detection system (RADAR). Couldn't sell it. Authorities not interested.

1916 Daylight Saving Time introduced in England.

Items for inclusion in next weeks Radio News should be forwarded to Charlie EI8JB, preferably via e-mail to “charlie dot carolan at gmail dot com” Or by phone to 087-6265418 News can also be submitted via e-mail to “newsteam at irts dot ie” for automatic forwarding to both the radio and printed news services.

Please note that items for the radio news should reach the editor no later than midday on Thursday in order to be guaranteed inclusion in the following Sunday's bulletin.

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